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Midnight survey of homeless in city

42 persons sleeping on roadsides shifted to Shelter for Homeless in Gokulam

Mysuru, Jan. 19 (YDS&BCT)- To improve the living standards of people below poverty line and those who seek shelter under flyovers and bridges in cities, Governments usually roll out funds and monitor the situation. But on-ground data reveals a sorry state where the number of urban homeless has shown a gradual increase and statistics reveal that almost 90 percent of the urban homeless in India is yet to get a shelter.

Following a Supreme Court directive to State Governments to conduct rapid survey of homeless populations of cities, authorities from the Shelter for Homeless along with NGOs and staff of the Mysuru City Corporation (MCC) conducted a rapid survey last night from 11 pm to 1.45 am. The team moved in vehicles across the city and identified 42 persons who were sleeping on the road sides and in front of closed shutters of shops. They were shifted to the Shelter for Homeless in Gokulam.

Teams went around areas including 101 Ganapati Temple, Dhanvantri Road, K.R. Hospital, Santhepet, Railway Station, Lansdowne Building, Market, Sub-Urban Bus Stand, Ashoka Road, Milad Bagh, Sayyaji Rao Road, D. Devaraj Urs Road, Old RMC Bus Stand, Vani Vilas Market and surrounding areas.

Sleeping men were woken up and bundled into vehicles and taken to the shelter.

While most of the homeless men resisted the attempts of shifting, they were convinced by Manager of Shelter for Homeless Rethan, Kiran and a few volunteers. They were told that sleeping on the streets was unsafe and they could go to work from the Shelter for Homeless.

Speaking to *Star of Mysore* this morning, Rethan said that last night, 42 homeless men were admitted to the Shelter and the place now houses over 100 people including the 59 already admitted ones. The survey was conducted in order to ensure individual entitlements to each homeless person such as ration cards, financial inclusion and health schemes, he revealed.

(See HOMELESS on page 9)

Swachh Survekshan: Team assesses cleanliness

Mysuru, Jan. 19 (MTY&BCT)- A seven-member Direct Observation Team (independent assessors) has arrived in the city and has started their survey to rank Mysuru among cities that are cleanest. The exercise is part of Swachh Survekshan2020 initiated by the Union Urban Development Ministry.

The team has already begun surveying different parts of the city and is collecting physical and photographic evidence. The direct observation by independent assessors carries 25 percentage weightage or 1,500 marks out of 6,000 in the total assessment.

An independent assessor surveys Shivarampet area in city this morning. The team members refused to come in front of the camera as they wanted to remain anonymous.

Speaking to *Star of Mysore*, MCC Health Officer Dr. D.G. Nagaraju said that the team is visiting all the 65 Wards to assess cleanliness, garbage clearance, door-to-door garbage collection.

(See TEAM on page 8)

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Forum Baby Crawling Contest on Jan. 26

Mysuru, Jan. 19- Is your baby the fastest crawler? If yes, then register for 'Forum Baby Crawling Contest' organised by Forum Mall Mysuru on Jan. 26 at 4 pm.

Infants under 9 - 13 months and 14 - 18 months can take part in the fun event.

Bring your keys, bells, whistles or anything else that will get your baby to cross that finish line. Check-in for the event at the Upper Ground Level of Forum Mall begins at 3 pm. To register, visit Front Desk at Forum Mall, Hyder Ali Road, Nazarbad or call Ph: 0821-2300402.

Cute Baby Show contest

Manjushree Magic Steps Dance Class, Siddarthanagar, will be conducting 'Cute Baby Show Contest' for new-born baby to 6-year-old kids in 6 categories on Jan. 25 at Jaganmohan Palace from 10 am. Western Dance contest will be held the same day from 1.30 pm to 10 pm as part of its 33rd anniversary. For details contact: 98803-79863.

Excel in 'Samskrithika Sangama'

Mysuru, Jan. 19- The students of Vijaya Vittala PU College, Saraswathipuram, have bagged several prizes in 'Samskrithika Sangama' Inter-Collegiate Competitions organised by Rotary Central, Mysuru and Inner Wheel Club of Mysore Central.

In Bharathanatyam Solo, Dyuthi Ramesh has won first prize and A. Rakshitha has won second prize. S. Sagar won first prize in film song and second prize in Bhavageethe, T.M. Vaishnavi won third prize in both film song and Bhavageethe.

EDITOR'S BOTTOMLINE

We celebrate the coming of a New Year because it gives us a brand new parcel of days to realise our hopes and dreams — a fresh slate, as it were, to write another, better, chapter of the story of our lives. No matter how disappointing the past has been, every January 1 dawns as a potential *annus mirabilis* ***— a blessed year when everything might go miraculously right. It's a time when our audacity of hope, our belief in the possibilities of our future, is at its truest and most resilient. Look around and you will see that hope burning bright everywhere. It burns in the soft light of candles held aloft by those protesting against the Citizenship Amendment Act and the National Register of Citizens, the twin instruments which threaten to upend the right to equality guaranteed by the Indian Constitution.***

— Shuma Raha in Business Standard

NEWS SPARKLERS

Chastity belt to prevent hubby from cheating

Zaporizhia: A Ukrainian man nearly lost his genitals after his wife put him in a painful DIY chastity belt for being unfaithful. The unnamed man in his 40's, from the city of Zaporizhia, in southern Ukraine, told doctors that he woke up one morning earlier this week to find a big metal nut screwed onto his wiener. It had been "installed" by his wife, as a way to stop him from being unfaithful, but the man claimed that it was strangulating his organ. He tried removing it himself, but the nut didn't budge, so he had no choice but to call an ambulance.

Unfortunately for the desperate man, hospital staff could do little to help with his delicate problem, so a specialist team of rescuers were called in. They used a circular saw to slice the piece of metal in two, while pouring water on it to keep it from overheating because of the friction.

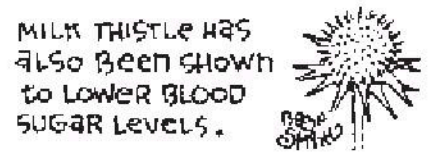
'Trial by Combat' to settle legal dispute with ex-wife

Kansas: A Kansas man made international news this week after it was revealed that he asked an Iowa Court to approve a trial by combat so she could meet his ex-wife on the field of battle. David Ostrom, a 40-year-old man from Paola, in Kansas, asked the Iowa District Court in Shelby County to give him 12 weeks time to forge his own swords, so he could meet his ex-wife and her attorney "on the field of battle where (he) will rend their souls from their corporal bodies." Ostrom told reporters that even though he doesn't anticipate a favourable response from the Court, he still wants an answer to his request.

The man said that he was inspired after learning about a 2016 case in which New York Supreme Court Justice Philip Minardo acknowledged that duels had not been abolished. However, Matthew Hudson, the lawyer of Ostrom's former partner, was quick to file a resistance to the trial by combat.

HEALTH CAPSULE by Bron Smith

What is milk thistle?



Milk thistle is a flower from the rag-weed family. It is known for its silymarin content. Silymarin is an anti-oxidant and anti-inflamatory compound that is used to protect and heal liver conditions such as alcohol-related fatty liver disease, as well as hepatitis and liver damage from toxins. It's available in capsule, tincture or tea.

** Health Capsules is not intended to be of a diagnostic nature.*

New Chairperson for CII-Young Indians, Mysuru Chapter

Dr. Pradeep *Nikhil Koundinya*

Mysuru, Jan. 19- The Annual Members Day-2020 of Young Indians (Yi), Mysuru Chapter, an integral part of the Confederation of Indian Industry (CII), Mysuru Zone, was held at *Hotel Grand Mercure* in city on Friday evening.

On the occasion, Dr. M. Pradeep took over as Chairperson of CII-Yi, Mysuru Chapter for 2020-21 and Nikhil P. Koundinya as its Co-Chair.

Currently working as Training and Placement Officer at JSS Science and Technology University, Mysuru (previously SJCE), Dr. Pradeep is a passionate trainer and is responsible to place students to reputed companies.

Previously he had served in various industry sectors like Information Technology, Pharma and Education.

Nikhil Koundinya has completed his B.E in Civil Engineering from National Institute of Engineering (NIE), Mysuru and has a PG Diploma in Advanced Construction Management from NICMAR, Pune.

He is currently the Director - Projects at Pramur Constructions Pvt., Ltd.

Felicitation ceremony tomorrow

Cariappa

Mysuru, Jan.19- Kannada Sahitya Kalakoota, Mysuru and Kadamba Ranga Vedike, Mysuru, have jointly organised a programme at Sriranga auditorium in Rangayana premises at 5 pm tomorrow (Jan.20) to felicitate Rangayana Director Addanda Cariappa, playwright Venugopal and Rangayana artiste - Karnataka Nataka Academy Awardee B.N. Shashikala.

Star of Mysore Editor-in-Chief K.B. Ganapathy will do the honours. Senior scholar Prof. Maleyur Guruswamy will deliver the felicitation address. Social worker Dr. Raghuram Vajapayee will be the chief guest. Kalakoota President M. Chandrashekar will deliver the introductory address. Vedike President Rajashekar Kadamba will preside.

Really...?

- ***Japan experiences around 1,500 earthquakes every year and minor tremors occur almost every day. In Japanese schools, cleaning is part of the curriculum. Children as young as six are taught to clean as part of everyday school activities to inculcate respect, responsibility and equality.***

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VOICE OF THE READER

Reconstructing Devaraja Market and Lansdowne Building: A welcome decision

Sir,

This has reference to 'Devaraja Market Demolition: Court gives clearance' *(SOM* dated Jan.13). The Court has cleared the way and has given the green signal to Mysuru City Corporation (MCC) to demolish and rebuild similar 'heritage' Devaraja Market and Lansdowne Building. This significant and long-pending decision should be welcomed.

There were 'for' and 'against' views from the readers. I had argued for new structures and therefore feel happy and vindicated. Tinkering with these 'heritage' buildings would have been like 'flogging the dead horse.' **The heritage essence was long lost and destroyed because of the neglect and shabby maintenance of these buildings.** These crumbling and dilapidated buildings were dangerous and at some point would have taken away many more precious lives.

It will be some hard work and herculean task now for the MCC. Putting in place a 'temporary market(s)' is not going to be easy. Yet, the MCC should pull up its socks and do some meticulous planning and execution of the project so that the businesses do not suffer. The re-building works should be 'entrusted' to a reputable builder who should do a first rate job and the new buildings should be built strictly in a stipulated time. The finished product should be grand and an asset to the future generations.

Traffic has increased by leaps and bounds in the Central Business District and there's an acute parking problem. In the future, it's going to be even worse. So, now is a chance to build the new structures with provision for parking, wash-rooms and restaurants in the basement. It would be great if worthwhile inputs and suggestions from the public are considered. It would also be a good idea for people in-charge of reconstructing these buildings to study the great markets around the world which are historical, sites of architectural significance and must see places for the tourists.

The ugly and dangerous subway structure with sharp edges, opposite Bata Showroom, should also be demolished and a new entrance to the underpass be built to gel with the heritage aura when the buildings are completed. Also, the planners should take care that the 'open urinals facility' behind the Lansdowne Building is shut permanently.

Devaraja Market at present is messy, unkempt with any number of illegal squatters doing business, in connivance with the corrupt Corporation staff. There should be strict regulation and only licensed shop-keepers be allowed to operate in the market. Right now, the public has to jostle around in several spots and the unruly traders care a tuppence.

And finally, with brand new buildings and good facilities, smelling fresh paint, the shop-keepers should not feel bad and hesitate to pay revised taxes to the Corporation — for the new iconic buildings would be safe and last for the next 100 years!

—Mubasher Mirza
Bannimantap 'C' Layout
14.1.2020

Do we really need a market in the heart of city?

Sir,

The renowned Devaraja Market is in a dilapidated state and the Honourable Court has rightly called for its demolition. I think the decision is practical though we feel for the monumental structure.

Now, the question is whether we should come up with another market in the same place? The centralised market was a necessity several decades ago and it has served the purpose well. Today if we come up with a similar facility and invite everyone in the city to central business place, are we not planning for chaos in the city centre? Should we invite everybody to the city centre to buy their vegetables and groceries?

It suits the people of the city to have four or five markets located strategically in four or five different parts the city. Such decentralised establishments will help both the buyers and sellers in addition to de-congesting the city centre. The traders also will have more options as the new markets will be in a position to accommodate them.

The place where the market is existing now can be converted to showcase Mysore dynasty's life and achievements.

I appeal to the elected representatives, the officials and the citizens of this great city to think about such a proposal before going ahead.

—Dr. Yathiraju Thimmappa
K.C. Nagar
14.1.2020

Free eye screening and health check-up camp from tomorrow

Mysuru, Jan.19- Rotary Ivory City, in association with Rotary E-Club, Bengaluru and Medical & Optical Aid (Bradford, UK), will be organising a four-day free eye screening and health check-up camp at Sri Sathya Saibaba School premises, 4th Main Road, 3rd Stage, Jayalakshmipuram (near SBRR Mahajana PU College) from tomorrow.

The camp will conclude on Jan.23. The camp will be open between 8.30 am and 2.30 pm on all the four days. Expert doctors from England will be part of the camp. There will be no appointments and the first 250 patients visiting the camp will be given preference everyday.

For details, contact Ph: 0821-2424634 or Mob: 98806-07295.

Basavajyothi Sadbhavana Yatra to reach Suttur this evening

Mysuru, Jan.19- Basavajyothi Sadbhavana Padayatra, which

Dr. Shivananda Swamiji

set off from Basavakalyan in Bidar district on May 7, 2019, to spread the message of Basavadi philosophy, will arrive at Suttur in Nanjangud taluk this evening (Jan.19).

The Padayatra, led by Hulsur Gurubasaveshwara Mutt Seer Dr. Shivananda Swamiji, will be accorded a grand welcome at Suttur Mutt at 5 pm tomorrow (Jan. 20), in the gracious presence of Suttur Seer Sri Shivarathri Deshikendra Swamiji and other Seers. For details, contact Ph: 08221-232223/4, according to a press release.

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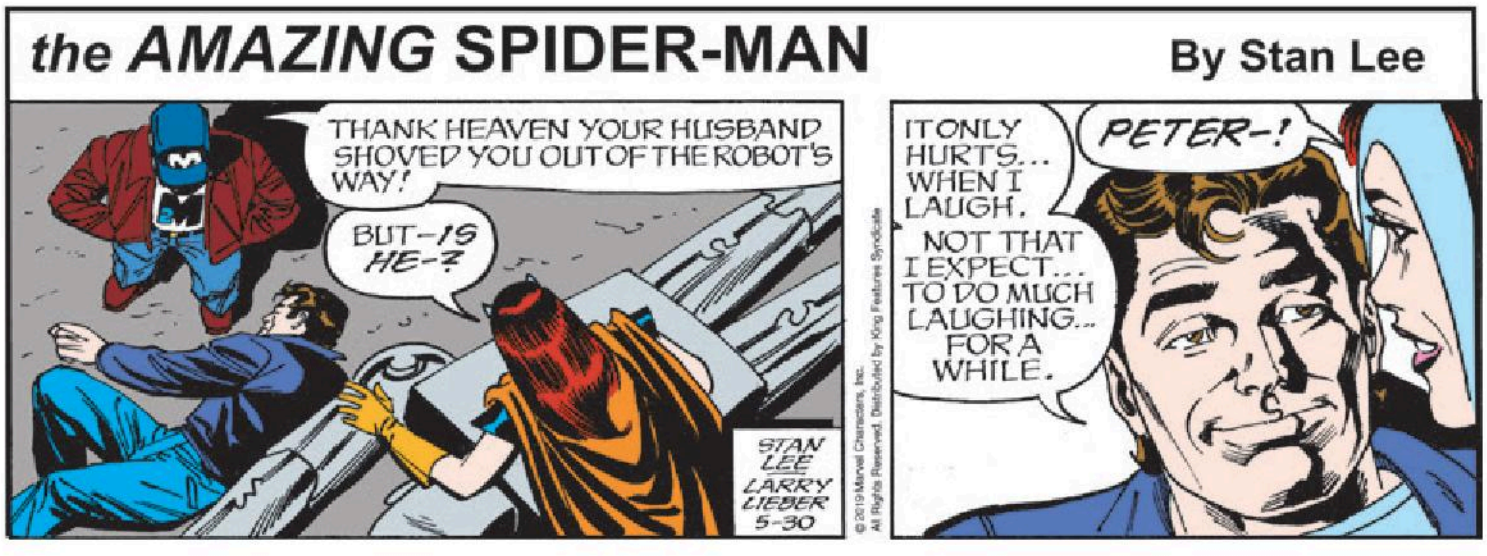
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NEWS BRIEFS

Annual Fest

Yureka-2K20, the annual fest of Yuvaraja's College, will be held from Jan. 21 to 23 at the College premises in city. As a promotional event, a marathon with the motto 'Women Safety' will be held on Jan. 21 at 6.30 am with various scientific, technical and analytical events to be held on Jan. 22 and 23. The students will present cultural programmes, which will be an inter-collegiate competition for undergraduate and post-graduate students. For details, contact Nishith on Mob: 78926-17383 or S. Rakshith: 96200-63417.

Free Urology consultation

JSS Hospital, Mysuru, has set-up Urology Clinic for Women in Outpatient Urology Department on the first floor where free consultation will be provided on Jan. 20 and Jan. 28 from 9 am to 4 pm. For appointments and more details, contact, Ph: 0821-2335124.

Free health camp on Jan.21

Mysuru Veerashaiva Sajjana Sangha, in association with NJS Charitable Trust and Lions Club of Mysore Heritage City, will be conducting a free health check-up camp (including Ayurveda, Yoga and Dental) at Kanti Mallanna Kalyana Mandira, located on Kabir Road, near Mandi Police Station, at 9.30 am on Jan.21. For registration and details, call Mob: 99161-55453.

Ph.D awardees

The University of Mysore has awarded Ph.D in Co-operation to M Prasad for his thesis 'Women Empowerment Through Dairy Co-operatives in Karnataka: A Case Study of Mysore District' submitted under the guidance of Dr. B.S. Chandrashekar.

K.C. Smitha has been awarded Ph.D in Botany by the University of Mysore for her thesis 'Phytochemical, Antioxident and Antimicrobial Studies of Some Medicinally Important Lichens' submitted under the guidance of Dr. Rajkumar H. Garampalli.

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CCTV cameras everywhere but fail to capture registration number

Then what is the use of installing cameras?

Mysuru, Jan. 19 (RK&KS)- The three incidents of miscreants extorting cash and valuables from people in the pretext of giving them lifts in a car in a single day has posed a challenge to the Police in city.

Though the City Police have installed numerous CCTV cameras at public places, junctions, important roads, check-posts on highways and other vantage points, to help them during robbery, dacoity, assault, accident, riots and other crimes, none of the CCTV cameras have captured the registration number of the car, used for the crime.

Also, there are Police personnel stationed at check-posts 24x7 with wireless gadgets such as walkie-talkie and information is passed from the City Control Room throughout the city for 24 hours a day. This apart, facility to connect all District and City Control Rooms from City Control Room has been provided to the Police Department and Police Officers and staff have been provided with Closed User Group (CUG) numbers for their mobile phones.

Despite all this, the Police are struggling to trace the Maruti Swift Dzire car in which the miscreants offered lifts to Bengaluru-bound engineer Madhu Vikas, Javaranayaka and Narayana Swamy and looted them of their cash and valuables in a single day.

The CCTV footages obtained by the Cops show only the white coloured Maruti Swift Dzire car, but the registration number of the vehicle is not visible even after the footages are zoomed in, says the Investigation Officer.

Though cases have been registered at Lashkar and Metagalli Police Stations in Mysuru and at Srirangapatna Rural Police Station, and if there is not a single clue captured by the CCTV Cameras in the above Police limits, what is the use of installing the CCTV cameras? This is a common question that ponders the public.

The reason may be because the CCTV Camera is of not good quality or may not be working properly. When there are hi-tech cameras that can zoom an object which is at the distance of one kilometre, what is the use of cameras installed at vantage places in city that have failed to capture the registration number of the car clearly. Are the CCTV Cameras installed for namesake?

Violation of Service Rules

Asst. Professor consumes sedatives after private college issues notice

Mysuru, Jan. 19 (RK&KS)- Depressed over being issued notice for not following the service rules, an Assistant Professor of a private Engineering College in city consumed sedatives (sleeping tablets) at the college in city and took ill on Friday.

The Assistant Professor is S. Sowmya Sudhana, who works in the Computer Department at Academy for Technical and Management Excellence (ATME) College of Engineering on Bannur Road in city.

Sowmya had allegedly violated the Service Rules of the College and had involved herself with another company following which the College Chairman had instructed Principal Prof. L. Basavaraju to issue a notice to Sowmya.

Based on the instruction from the Chairman, Prof. L. Basavaraju had issued a notice to Sowmya on Jan. 6 instructing her to give an explanation within three days.

Depressed over being issued a notice, Sowmya, on Jan. 17 afternoon consumed sedatives in her Department and took ill.

She was rushed to a private hospital nearby by the college staff, where Sowmya told the doctors that she had consumed sedatives following which she was admitted to an Intensive Care Unit (ICU) and was shifted to the ward yesterday after treatment.

As soon as the incident took place, College Principal Prof. L. Basavaraju has given his written statement to Varuna Police where he has stated that Sowmya was issued a notice for violating the service rules of the college.

He has further stated that on Jan. 17 at about 3.45 pm, Sowmya had come to his (Prof. Basavaraju) chamber and told him that she was being targeted and was being harassed from everyone to which Prof. Basavaraju had replied that it was not the time for personal issues and told Sowmya to give an explanation to the notice so that he could submit it to the college Administrative Board.

Prof. Basavaraju further said that Sowmya, who left his chamber, went to her Department, where she took ill and she was immediately rushed to a hospital.

When Varuna Police went to the hospital to obtain Sowmya's statements, she (Sowmya) has refused to give her statements to the Police and hence, no case has been registered so far, according to the Police.

Padmini Ponnappa quits JD(S)

Padmini Ponnappa

Gonikoppa, Jan. 19- In a significant political development in Kodagu district, State JD(S) General Secretary Maangera Padmini Ponnappa of Thithimathi, has quit the party. She has submitted her resignation letter to State JD(S) President H.K. Kumaraswamy.

Padmini, who was with the Congress for years, had joined JD(S) after she was denied Congress ticket from Virajpet Constituency in the 2018 Assembly polls. Beginning her political career with the Congress, Padmini had served as Vice-Chairperson of Karnataka State Forest Development Corporation (KSFDC) when Siddharamaiah was the Chief Minister. Upset over being denied the Congress ticket, she quit the party and joined JD(S) in the presence of Party Supremo H.D. Deve Gowda at Bengaluru a few days before the 2018 polls.

Now she has quit JD(S), citing that she cannot continue for inevitable reasons.

NR Traffic Police Station gets Highway patrol vehicle

Mysuru, Jan.19 (RK&DM)- With vehicle accidents on Highways on the rise, the Mysuru City Police have provided a Highway patrol vehicle to NR Traffic Police Station.

The vehicle will be used for rushing accident victims to hospitals and to come to the rescue of women in emergencies.

The vehicle is fitted with a camera, a speed reader and a revolving light and will have a stretcher to carry injured persons and a fully equipped First-Aid box.

An Assistant Sub-Inspector of Police and two Police personnel, apart from the driver are attached to this vehicle, whose job also include keeping an eye on suspicious movement of vehicles and to alert the Police Control Room on Highway crimes such as robbery and dacoity.

The members of the public can utilise the services of this patrol vehicle in times of emergencies by calling toll free number 112, according to NR Traffic Police Inspector Divakar Gowda.

Thin water strip welcomes

visitors to Gaganachukki Jalapathotsava

Mandya / Malavalli, Jan. 19 - In spite of the river getting bone-dry and absence of gushing waterfalls, the two-day *Jalapathotsava* at Gaganachukki falls began in Malavalli Taluk of Mandya District yesterday.

Kannada Development Authority Chairman T.S. Nagabharana, Deputy Commissioner Dr. Venkatesh and MLA Dr. K. Annadani inaugurated the two-day event.

Thousands of visitors who had thronged to witness gushing waterfalls were surprised to see only a thin strip of water flowing at Gaganachukki Falls. The Gaganachukki Falls goes dry during this part of the year and only comes to life after heavy rainfall during rainy season. What provided some respite to curious visitors were the cultural programmes held on a huge stage, which was colourfully illuminated by gigantic LED lights in the backdrop.

As organisers had to wait for arrival of District In-charge Minister R. Ashoka, the cultural extravaganza began almost two hours behind the scheduled time. Cultural programmes including group dance by Shylaja and team, folk songs rendered by Impo Inchara Mattu Samajika Trust, Dance Drama by Dr. Shambhavi Swamy, Hindustani classical music, light music and dance programmes by Rotary School and Saptagiri English High School captivated the audience.

Later, Kannada Development Authority Chairman T.S. Nagabharana flagged off the folk dance rally held as part of the *Jalapathotsava* near Rama Mandir, Shivanasamudra. Nagabharana was welcomed with traditional Purna Kumbha by women folks. Nandi Kolu Kunita, Puja Kunita, Kolu Kunita, Huli Vesha, Yakshagana, Tamate Nrutya and other forms of folk dances entertained the visitors.

Impressive tableau followed the folk troupes, which depicted various facilities and services offered by Department of Social Welfare, Department of Horticulture, Dept. of Women and Child Welfare, Panchayat Raj, Department of Forest and others.

Heli-Tourism, which had been organised as part of the *Jalapathotsava*, was inaugurated by DC Dr. Venkatesh and MLA Annadani who took a helicopter ride.

Earlier in the day, the Dept. of Tourism had organised a Kite festival in which kites of bright colours, innovative designs and shapes adored the skies.

As part of the festival, 'Ahara Mela' and a 'Job Mela' have been organised on both days. Boating will be held in Malavalli Lake. Water sports, helicopter and coracle rides, bike rallies, rangoli competition and exhibitions are also being held to attract visitors.

District In-charge Minister R. Ashoka, DC Dr. Venkatesh, ZP CEO Yalakki Gowda, AC Suraj, Information Officer Harish and other officials were present.

States can't say won't

implement CAA: Kapil Sibal

"Constitutionally, it would be difficult for any Government to say that 'I will not follow a law passed by Parliament"

Kapil Sibal

Kozhikode, Jan. 19- Days after Kerala moved the Supreme Court against the Citizenship Amendment Act or CAA amid nationwide protests, senior Congress leader Kapil Sibal, who was speaking at the Kerala Literature Festival in Kozhikode yesterday, said it would be "difficult for any State Government to say that 'I will not follow a law passed by Parliament.'"

"The States are sending a message to the Central Government that they are unhappy with the citizenship law, the National Register of Citizens and the National Population Register. But the NRC is based on National Population Register and that has to be implemented by a local registrar, who is appointed by State-level Officers."

"Basically what is being said is we won't allow State-level Officers to co-operate with Union of India... practically, I don't know if that's possible. It's a grey area," the 71-year-old leader said. "Constitutionally, it would be difficult for any Government to say that 'I will not follow a law passed by Parliament'," he said.

In a tweet this morning, he called the new citizenship law "unconstitutional" and said the "fight (against it) must go on." Every State Assembly has the constitutional right to pass a resolution and seek it's withdrawal. When and if the law is declared to be constitutional by the Supreme Court then it will be problematic to oppose it, he wrote.

Another senior Congress leader echoed Sibal's views. "If Supreme Court doesn't interfere (over citizenship law) it'll remain on statute book. If something is on statute book, you've to obey law, else there are consequences," Salman Khurshid said. "It's a matter where State Governments have a very serious difference of opinion with Centre. So we would wait for Top Court's decision," he added.

The Citizenship (Amendment) Act or CAA, which cleared the Parliament last month, makes religion the test of citizenship in India for the first time. While the government claims that it will help minorities from three Muslim-dominated countries - Pakistan, Bangladesh, Afghanistan - to get citizenship if they fled to India because of religious persecution before 2015, critics say it is designed to discriminate against Muslims and violates the secular principles of the Constitution.

The National Register of Citizens or NRC, on the other hand, aims to identify illegal immigrants settled in the country. People opposed to the CAA claim that it is a precursor to a nationwide NRC, putting millions of the country's Muslim citizens at risk of persecution once the entire process is completed.

Several States across the country, including Bihar where NDA ally JDU is in power, have said they won't implement the NRC. Others like West Bengal and Congress-ruled Punjab have voiced concern against the CAA.

Kerala was the first State to pass a resolution in the State Assembly against the CAA, followed by Punjab. While Left Government in Kerala has already moved the Top Court against the law, Punjab too has said it will challenge the CAA before the Supreme Court.

Mystery shrouds over death of woman

Cops register murder case

Mysuru, Jan. 19 (SBD&KS)- A woman has died under mysterious circumstances in Yelwal Police limits in city.

The deceased is Sunitha (38), wife of Srinivas and residents of Madahalli near Yelwal here. She was found dead on her cot.

Sunitha, a resident of Belawadi was married to Srinivas since 17 years and the couple have two children. The family were staying in their agricultural land after constructing a house there.

On Friday, Sunitha was found dead on her cot. It is learnt that there were differences of opinions between the couple and on Friday too, the couple had indulged in a fight when the children were playing outside.

Yelwal Police, who rushed to the spot, conducted mahazar and based on the complaint from Sunitha's father, the Police have registered a case of murder and are investigating.

House burgled in city

Mysuru, Jan. 19 (MK&KS)- Burglars, who gained entry into a house by breaking open the door, have decamped with cash and valuables worth Rs. 3.5 lakh from the house.

The burglary took place at the house of Moin Taj at Kalyangiri. Moin had left for Mumbai on Jan. 4 and when he returned on Jan. 17, he found the door broken. On inspecting the house, he found gold ornaments, TV, laptop, cell phone and Rs. 5,000 cash all totalling Rs. 3.5 lakh stolen from the house.

Udayagiri Police, who have registered a case, are investigating.

Seegadi Saaru

Delicacy from river side

Fishermen scout for shrimps on Cauvery River banks to serve you a Jhinga lala of spice

By Vinay Karekura

Srirangapatna, Jan.19- It is winter and time for some piping hot fried freshwater prawns (Seegadi) or shrimps (Jhinga in Hindi). Though there is year-round sale of saltwater prawns, the demand for freshwater prawns increases post-November and peaks during winter season that runs up to *Maha Shivaratri*.

Many vendors catch these prawns from the river side and sell them at some nook and corners of the city. Vendors gather at selected places with a mound of harvested shrimps — small in size when compared to salt water prawns (Tiger Prawns) — and sell them in *Seru* (a measurement unit). Considered nutritious, there are usually many buyers. And the price too is on the higher side — a *Seru* of prawn costs anywhere between Rs. 300 and Rs. 375.

Regular fishermen and some part-time fish catchers flock to the Cauvery Riverside with nets to catch these shrimps. Shrimps thrive amidst plants, weeds and shrubs that grow by the side of the river. In Srirangapatna alone, there are more than 30 families that depend on shrimp harvesting to eke out a living.

They usually get the harvest to Mysuru or Mandya and sell on roadsides. Unsold daily catch is cleaned and dried on the roads and packaged to be sold later as dried prawns fetch a higher price. Dried shrimp too is in great demand during winter as many tasty and spicy dishes are made out of them with the combination of potato, green chillies and onions. Tangy Seegadi bajji too is a famous dish that is cooked in this season. Some people even make Seegadi chutney and it is quite famous in coastal belt.

Shrimps are a rarity on the river banks when the rivers are in full spate. But when the water recedes and when the banks are full of shrubs, the area is dominated by shrimps and crabs. Fishermen venture out of their homes as early as 5 am and by 10 am, their shrimp hunt is over. Carrying basketful of the catch and a weighing measure, these fishermen head to Mysuru or Mandya to market their produce and in the available money, they buy their household items.

Harvesting shrimps is not an easy task. When the net is spread, other beings like fish, crabs and frogs too are trapped along with stones and dry sticks. These have to be carefully separated unless the net entangles and breaks. While shrimp fish and crabs are segregated, sticks and stones are discarded.

Once segregated, shrimps are sieved once or twice to remove sand and other impurities and are filled into containers or baskets to be transported to cities. Dishes made out of Seegadi are of unique taste and consumers believe that the food keeps body warm during cold season and supply the body with rich minerals available on river side.

Those who are suffering from joint aches, pregnant women and neo-natal mothers derive special energy and hot shrimp soups are prepared to beat the evening cold. Elders say that soup cures common cold and cough. Fishermen say that on an average they manage to catch 10 *Seru* of shrimps and on some days there will be no catch. "A 10 *Seru* catch is bumper as we can earn up to Rs.3,000. But not all days are same. Sometimes, after hard labour, we are just left with Rs.300 at the end of the day," says Srinivas.

"It is a laborious process to catch, segregate and sieve shrimps. After that, the harvest is taken to the market and we sell them by the side of the roads till late in the evening. This is the only season where shrimps are available. Rest of the months we need to look for something else to sell or we do search for manual labour work," says Prakash.

The Department of Fisheries has somewhat become defunct in Srirangapatna and it is not even supplying fish nets to eligible fishermen from time to time. Fishermen folk have to repair the nets again and again and enter the waters.

Swami Vivekananda was an embodiment of Scientific thoughts: Prof. G. Hemantha Kumar

Mysuru, Jan.19 (PM&DM)- University of Mysore (UoM) Vice-Chancellor Prof. G. Hemantha Kumar said that Swami Vivekananda was an embodiment of Scientific and Intellectual thoughts.

He was speaking after inaugurating Vivekananda Jayanti celebrations jointly organised by UoM Philosophy Department and Swami Vivekanada Chair at Rani Bahadur auditorium on Hunsur Road here yesterday.

Asserting that Swami Vivekananda who was a great saint and a humanist, stands as a towering personality for all times, Prof. Hemantha Kumar said that Vivekananda propounded that the real *dharma* lies in working for the cause of the oppressed sections of the society, sans any discrimination.

Pointing out that Swami Vekananda's famous slogan 'Arise, awake, and stop not till the goal is reached' is a great inspiration for the youth to march ahead for achieving their goals, he opined that education policy plays a key role in the future of a country.

Stating that Swami Vivekananda was an embodiment of spiritualism, he said that the great saint always believed that education plays a crucial role in moulding the future of students.

Observing that Swami Vivekananda always respected all religions, he said that the saint, through his appealing speeches, made the west realise that India is a spiritual country with humanity abound.

Mysuru Ramakrishna Ashram's Swami Shantivratanandaji spoke on *'Swami Vivekananda's message to the youth.'*

Swami Vivekananda Chair former Visiting Faculty Dr. K. Raghavendra Pai, UoM Philosophy Department Head Dr. S. Venkatesh and others were present.

Pulse Polio drive begins in city

- **Polio vaccine to be administered at 330 booths today**
- **Vaccinators to visit house-to-house till Jan. 23 from tomorrow**

Mysuru, Jan. 19 (PM&KS) - In a bid to maintain the polio-free status granted to India on Mar. 27, 2014 by the World Health Organisation (WHO) and to prevent children from falling prey to polio, the Mysuru District Administration, Zilla Panchayat, District Health and Family Welfare Society, backed by the respective drives launched by Centre and State Governments, launched the five-day Pulse Polio drive for 2020 this morning.

The drive was launched at Jayanagar Community Health Centre in city by new Mayor Tasneem in the presence of MLAs L. Nagendra, S.A. Ramdas and G.T. Devegowda, Deputy Commissioner Abhiram G. Sankar and others.

City's new Mayor Tasneem administering polio vaccine to a child during the launch of the Pulse Polio drive at Jayanagar Community Health Centre in city this morning as MLAs L. Nagendra, S.A. Ramdas and G.T. Devegowda, DC Abhiram G. Sankar and others look on.

Polio vaccines would be administered to 90,157 children below five years of age in city at 330 booths from 8 am to 5 pm during the drive today.

From tomorrow, vaccines would be administered by the vaccinators by visiting house-to-house till Jan. 23.

According to the statistics, Mysuru Urban has a population of 10,45,116 with 2,15845 houses which has 90,157 children below five years.

There are 97 High Risk Area (HRA) sites which has 26,305 HRA-below five years.

A total of 330 booths have been established and 75 Supervisors, 1,320 Vaccinators and two Mobile teams have been deployed for the purpose.

District Health Officer (DHO) Dr. Venkatesh, Pulse Polio Nodal Officer Dr. L. Ravi, MCC Health Officer Dr. Jayanth, WHO Mysuru Unit Surveillance Medical Officer Dr. Sudheer Nayak, District Family Welfare Officer Dr. Siraj Ahmed, District Programme Co-ordinator Prasad and others were present.

Literary association will help enhancement of creativity, says Rangayana Director

Mysuru, Jan. 19 (YDS&DM)- Rangayana Director Addanda C. Cariappa has said that reading novels, poems and other literary works will largely help in enhancement of creativity among people. He was speaking after inaugurating 'Cauvery Sambhramothsava,' the annual day celebrations of Sree Cauvery Educational Institutions (SCEI) at its premises in Kuvempunagar here yesterday.

Corporator M.C. Ramesh and Rangayana Director Addanda C. Cariappa beating the drums during the inauguration of 'Cauvery Sambhramothsava,' the annual day celebrations of Sree Cauvery Educational Institutions (SCEI) at its premises in Kuvempunagar yesterday as others look on.

Maintaining that students who score 98 percent marks in SSLC and PUC cannot be called as intelligent students as there are other factors that define intelligence, Cariappa said that at the same time, students scoring mere pass marks cannot be termed as duds.

Citing the example of former President Dr. Abdul Kalam, who worked as a newspaper boy in his student days and Prime Minister Narendra Modi, who used to sell tea, he said that creativity exists in every human being and improving creativity is key for achieving set goals.

Recalling an instance when Field Marshal K.M. Cariappa visited Ponnampet Government School about 30 years ago, where he (Addanda C. Cariappa) was a ninth standard student then and questioned the students on what they wanted to become in the future, Cariappa said that while almost every student said that they wanted to become an engineer or a doctor, a student by name Mahadeva was exceptional when he said that he wanted to drive a bullock-cart. The Field Marshal asked him to study well and wished him, Cariappa said.

Now, two years ago, he happened to visit Sedam in Kalaburagi district, when he met Mahadeva and enquired him what he was doing here. Mahadeva replied that he had become a doctor, after he drew inspiration from the Field Marshal's encouraging words, Cariappa said.

Noting that students must always draw inspiration from great achievers and good things in life, he advised the students to become honourable persons in the society by occupying top positions in their chosen profession.

Corporator M.C. Ramesh, in his address, called upon the students to develop humanity, benevolence and sportsman spirit and to respect the elders.

Meritorious students who scored high marks in SSLC, PUC and Degree courses were presented 'Pratibha Puraskar,' while the winners of various contests organised as part of the Annual Day, were distributed prizes on the occasion.

A cultural presentation by girl students and songs from old and new hits enthralled the audience.

SCEI - Kodava Samaja Education Council Chairman M.K. Kuttappa, Kodava Samaja President K.M. Belliappa, Vice-president M.M. Ponnappa, SCEI Secretary M.P. Subbaiah, Treasurer M.B. Aiyappa, Principal Krupalini S. Raj, K.M. Padmavathi, Rashmi and others were present.

Children display grit, confidence at OBRATS

Mysuru, Jan. 19 (RB&BCT) Mysore Amity Ladies Circle-108, in collaboration with RE3 Command Fitness, had organised 'OBRATS – An Obstacle Course Race for Children' aged between 5 and 16 years at Mahajana College Grounds in Jayalakshmipuram this morning. Over 240 children participated in the challenging events that tested their strength, stamina, flexibility and endurance.

The participants were divided into four groups as per their age and gender — five and eight years and between nine years and 15 years of age. It was an event that put to test some of the fundamental physical abilities of a child and at the same time build self confidence.

Participants were tested for resilience, focus on task completion and willingness to overcome adversity.

There were many obstacles like Tyre Wall Climbing, Tarzan Jump, Log Carrying, and Monkey Bars. The event was flagged off by President of Ladies Circle India GLMF Circler Nidhi Gupta.

Junior category registration fee was Rs.750 and for the Senior category, the fee was Rs.850. The event is a charity fund-raiser where the funds collected will be used to build two classrooms at Kyathanahalli Government School in H.D. Kote taluk.

The construction will start in January 2020 itself. 10 children from Nele Orphanage were given registration-free participation.

LMF Cr. Namratha Shenoy, Asia Pacific Chairperson Ladies Circle International, GLMF Cr. Nidhi Shah, Area 13 Chairperson, Ladies Circle India, Masuma Vagh, Past President Ladies Circle India, Cr. Kavya Kailash, Area 13 Charter Chairperson, Ladies Circle India, Tr. Kailash Kashinath, Area 13 Charter Chairman, Round Table India, Tr. Adith Raju, Chairman, Mysuru Amity Round Table 156, Tr. Kiran Ranga, Honorary Tabler, Mysore Amity Round Table 156, Cr. Roopal Mehta, Chairperson, Mysuru Amity Ladies Circle 108 and others were present on the occasion.

Prizes were distributed by Dr. Usha Hegde, city's first woman to finish the Ironman Western Australia 2019 Triathlon.

The winning children under various categories along with some of the organisers of the event.

Authorities go all out to top *Swachh Survekshan* this year

Mysuru, Jan. 19 (PM&SD)- Having to be satisfied with the best 'Cleanest Medium City' award last year, Mysuru City Corporation (MCC) is making all efforts to see that it regains the top spot this time. In an effort to encourage large-scale citizen participation, MCC, in association with Let's Do It Mysore! (an NGO) conducted a volunteers meeting at JSS Women's College auditorium this morning.

Addressing the gathering, MCC Commissioner Gurudatta Hegde said, "The main agenda is to identify 200 volunteers who can work relentlessly full time for the next 10 days to achieve at least two lakh citizen participation in the survey. Mysuru has all the ability to top the spot. It is only in citizen's participation that we are lagging behind."

"Volunteers need to create awareness among the general public about the importance of segregation of wet and dry waste at source and avoidance of plastic usage. Looking back the time of our forefathers, there were no plastic bags for keeping things together. This contributed to a clean and green environment. Mysuru city is producing around 400 tonnes of waste including 280 tonnes of wet waste out of which only 35 tonnes of wet waste is being recycled into organic compost. All of us need to limit and recycle plastic and segregate wet and dry waste at source," he added.

President of Let's Do It Mysore!, B.S. Prashanth said, "Over 450 volunteers have already registered to create awareness about cleanliness survey from tomorrow for the next 10 days. We are aiming to have around 20,000 volunteers in this endeavour. Each of these volunteer would aim to garner at least 1,000 votes from the citizens. The expenditure and other needs of these volunteers will be taken care of by organisers."

Team assesses cleanliness

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Segregation and solid and wet waste management will also be considered, Dr. Nagaraj added. The team is recording evidence and are uploading the same on the Swachh Survekshan App and the final assessors will grade the city based on certain parameters.

Slums, public toilets, buildings, underground drainage system, markets, waste disposal units and other crucial areas that determine a city's cleanliness will be examined and evidence will be collected regarding open defecation, sanitation and garbage disposal. Manu, Siddaraju, Shwetha, Nagendra, Rajesh, Shiva Kumar and Chandru are the team members.

The team will evaluate the city for nine indicators including cleanliness in residential and commercial areas, cleanliness and usability of community toilets, cleanliness of markets, cleanliness of transport hubs including rail-way stations, visible beautification of slums, flyovers and public places art work carrying messages of Swachh Survekshan and display of Swachh Bharat Abhiyan posters in public toilets.

The team will also look for measures undertaken to reduce the level of dust in the air, prevalence of potholes and plants and trees alongside roads along with encroachments on storm water drains and water bodies.

Midnight survey of homeless

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People housed in the Shelter can go to their regular work and return in the night. They work as construction labourers and contract workers. "We need to initiate the formal admission process to the newly identified homeless and once done we do a detailed health check-up and provide free treatment at K.R. Hospital. We counsel them and identify the reason why they are sleeping on the roads. Some of them land on the streets due to domestic fights. In such cases we summon their family members and convince them to take back the persons," he added.

People who are old and frail are treated and referred to Old Age Homes and those with disabilities and in an incurable state are sent to New Ark Mission of India Home for Hope in Bengaluru run by 'Auto Raja' at Doddagubbi village, he added.

Data will be compiled and analysed in terms of gender, nature of stay, occupation and area of operation to make suitable arrangements to the homeless people. The survey is set to culminate in an action plan to provide need-based access to shelters to this marginalised category of people.

A Star of Mysore ***reader has sent us this photo of a homeless man on the footpath near Muslim Burial Ground, Tipu Circle. Rain or shine, the man takes shelter under a make-shift automobile roof. He needs to be rehabilitated, says the reader.***

Humanitarian gesture

Former MLA shifts man from bus stop to hospital

Former MLA M.K. Somashekar seen getting the unidentified person, who was suffering from severe illness near the Railway Workshop on Manandavadi Road in city, to K.R. Hospital on Friday.

Mysuru, Jan. 19 (SBD&KS)- Former Krishnaraja (KR) MLA M.K. Somashekar donned the role of a good Samaritan by shifting an unidentified man, who had taken ill, to a hospital.

The unidentified man was found suffering from severe illness at the bus stop on Manandavadi Road next to the Railway Workshop by the Workshop staff and public, who were giving him food since a few days.

The unidentified man could not get up, was wearing soiled clothes and was sleeping with his head rested on an old bag filled with clothes.

The unidentified man was found lying in the same position since a couple of days and the matter was brought to the notice of Somashekar. The former MLA who went to the spot on Friday afternoon, tried to speak with the unidentified man and as there was a lump near the neck, the unidentified man was unable to talk. Somashekar offered him water, consoled him and asked him whether he wants food to which the unidentified man gestured that he wanted tea to drink.

After serving him tea, Somashekar summoned an ambulance and shifted the man to K.R. Hospital besides sending a few youths in the ambulance to make necessary arrangements.

Somashekar then called the Resident Medical Officer over the phone and asked him to call him if any medicines has to be brought from outside.

It may be recalled that about 15 days ago, Somashekar had shifted a man from Nanjangud who was found unconscious near Ramaswamy Circle to a hospital, besides getting him the prescribed medicines and fruits.

The man had thanked Somashekar after he recovered and went to his place.

Centre's beggar-free plan for 10 cities includes Bengaluru

New Delhi, Jan. 19- The Centre is planning to launch a national campaign for rehabilitation of people engaged in begging in 10 places across the country. The campaign is likely to be launched in April. This comes after the Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment conducted a meeting with State representatives and NGOs.

Based on the discussions in workshops, the States should prepare a national action plan consisting of initiatives and budget by March, a letter sent from the Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment to States said.

In the first phase, the Central Government has proposed to launch the campaign in Delhi, Mumbai, Kolkata, Chennai, Bengaluru, Hyderabad, Nagpur, Patna, Lucknow and Indore.

In each location, a detailed action plan would be prepared which would cover identification, rehabilitation, provision of medical facilities, counselling, education, skill development, and a 'sustainable settlement' of persons engaged in begging. The assessment would be carried out in which category a destitute falls in order to determine the scheme that she/he would fit into.

The Centre has proposed that the project would be funded on 60:40 ratio by the Centre and the State Governments. The Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment has directed the States to nominate a nodal agency in the respective cities which have been selected for the national project. It has also asked the States to arrange for workshops comprising the stakeholders in the city in the first week of February.

Meet on 'Investment Opportunities in Rajasthan' held

Mysuru, Jan.19 (MTY&DM)- The Rajasthan State Industrial Development and Investment Corporation (RIICO) Ltd., a Rajasthan Government undertaking, in association with Mysore Chamber of Commerce and Industry (MCCI), Agarwal Samaj and International Vaish Federation, Mysuru, had organised a day-long meet on 'Investment opportunities in Rajasthan' today at Hotel Southern Star on Vinoba Road in city.

Speaking after inaugurating the Meet, Immediate Past President of Federation of Karnataka Chambers of Commerce and Industry (FKCCI) Sudhakar S. Shetty said that Rajasthan and Mysuru share several characteristics and also have several similarities in respect of culture and practices.

Pointing out that a long-standing bond exists between Mysore Royal family and Royal families of Rajasthan, he said that in this backdrop, the RIICO's decision to organise the Meet in Mysuru is a good development.

Immediate Past President of FKCCI Sudhakar S. Shetty is seen lighting the lamp during the inauguration of the Meet on 'Investment Opportunities in Rajasthan' at Hotel Southern Star in city this morning.

Noting that Industrial Infrastructure in Mysuru is getting a big boost, with many projects and corridors in the pipeline, he said that the Meet will help Rajasthan in understanding the city's Industrial climate much better.

Maintaining that Mysuru city has a significant presence of Agarwal community members, who are mostly natives of Rajasthan, Sudhakar Shetty lamented that Red Tapism has come in the way of execution of various Central Government schemes and projects aimed at boosting infrastructure and the Industrial sector.

Calling for more transparency in administration, he highlighted the need for a change in the mindset of officials and said that a much stronger push was needed for establishing a more favourable climate for Industrial growth.

As part of the Meet, RIICO officials will visit major Industrial Areas of the city for establishing industrial ties.

RIICO Senior Deputy General Manager Ajay Gupta, Deputy Manager Atul Sharma, Manager Pawan Dahiya, MCCI President A.S. Satish, office-bearers Shreeshail Ramannavar, N.S. Jayanth and M.C. Bhansali, Mysore Industries Association's Suresh Kumar Jain, Mysuru Agarwal Samaj President S.K. Mittal and others were present.

Nrutya Samarpana and Somashree Awards presentation ceremony

Art critic and writer Dr. Manik Bengeri seen lighting the lamp to inaugurate Nrutya Samarpana and Somashree Awards presentation ceremony by Shri Umamaheshwara Nrutya Kalakshetra Trust at Jaganmohan Palace in city on Jan.5 as Dr. Jamuna Rani Mirle and Vidushi Srilakshmi Kumar look on. Picture right shows the recipients of Somashree Award Vidwan Mysore V. Ambaprasad, Vice-President of Sri Brahmarambha Sangeetha Vidyalaya and Dr. Jamuna Rani Mirle, Bharatanatyam exponent, with Krishnakumar, Dr. Manik Bengeri, Vidushi Sharikaa, Koushik, Guru Vidushi Srilakshmi Kumar and Manasi.

Many people have different ways of expressions and different actions while paying tributes to their departed father and Guru. Vidushi Srilakshmi Kumar has her own way to express gratitude and salute her father *Kalashree* late T.N. Somashekhar and Founder of Shri Umamaheshwara Nrutya Kalakshetra Trust in 1951.

Srilakshmi Kumar, an established dancer of Mysuru, is Somashekhar's daughter, disciple as well as the present Director of the Trust which organises a function to pay tribute to its Founder every year in the month of January. For the year 2020, the event was held on 5th January at Jaganmohan Palace auditorium. The tribute was in the form of *Nrutya Samarpana* and *Somashree* award presentation to eminent artistes in and around Mysuru. The programme was inaugurated by lighting the traditional lamp by Dr. Manik A.V. Bengeri (veteran Hindustani singer, writer) and other invitees on stage — Dr. Jamuna Rani Mirle, Ganayogi Vidwan Ambaprasad and Trust Director Vidushi Srilakshmi Kumar.

Nrutya Samarpana, a dancing tribute, started with Pushpanjali in Raag Amrutvarshini set to Aaditaal which was followed by a Hindi Bhajan composed by Saint Tulsidas in praise of Lord Rama in Raag Yaman set to Roopak Taal by junior disciples of the school. Watching tiny-tots on stage was a treat to the eyes of the viewers. The next three items were in praise of Lord Nataraja Natesh Koutukama, a traditional composition in Hansadhvani raga set to Aaditaal and Natanam Aadinnar — depicting Ananadtandava in praise of Chidambar Shiva in Raag Vasant, which was beautifully followed by a Devarnama of Saint Purandaradasa in Raagamaalika 'Chandrachood Shivashankar Parvati' in which the churning of the sea 'Samudra-manthan' was shown effectively. Especially Lord Shiva taking the poison 'Kaalkoot' for which he is named as 'Neelakantha' as well as Shiva's other superpower actions like 'Manmath-dahana', the story of Bhakta Maarkandeya were brought out with creative choreography.

'Maanas Mandir' a Devi stuti in praise of Devi Shankari was a confluence of two styles of dance namely Bharatanatyam and Kathak which was soothing.

In the interval, artistes Dr. Jamuna Rani Mirle and Gaanayogi Ambaprasad were honoured with 'Somashree Award' for their excellent services in their respective fields. Dr. Jamuna Rani is a multifaceted personality — a dancer, painter, astrologer, social worker and what not! She being a Bharatanatyam exponent has utilised her knowledge of dance to teach the underprivileged children from villages free of cost, most of the times spending money from her pocket to provide them the required sets of clothes as well as jewels for the dance.

The second recipient of the prestigious award was none other than violinist Mysore Ambaprasad, who is a well-known performer as well as a teacher. Vid. Ambaprasad is known for his simplicity and dedication towards music.

"Indian culture and art is very ancient and hence it is the duty of the artistes to maintain its purity and pass on the art to next generation intact," opined Dr. Manik Bengeri in her address while appreciating the efforts of Vidushi Srilakshmi Kumar in organising the grand event.

The second part of the programme was presentation of *Srichakrarupini Navadurga Devi*, two Devarnamas of Saint Purandaradasa, namely 'Narayan Hari Govind' and 'Palisamma Muttu Shaarade' in Raagmalika was as per the usual, normal set of such programmes but the main attraction was 'Navagraha Stuti' in which the Planetary system consisting of Sun, Moon, Mars, Mercury, Jupiter, Venus, Saturn and two shadow planets was brought out effectively. The dance choreography was excellent while describing the positions of the planets, their powers, their existence and their effects on human body — everything was very informative. The programme concluded with Tillanna in Raag Hindola.

The entire programme was ably compered by M. Parvathi. The junior dancers Gyaneshwari, Diksha, Aditi made their own impact. In senior group — V. Pavanashree, Vennela, V. Maanya, Gayathri, Meghna, K. Sharanya and Shaarika — most of them were experienced dancers and as such danced with sufficient maturity as well as perfection.

— Kala Rasika

Karnataka State Open U-9 Chess Tourney

Two players share lead

Mysuru, Jan. 19- Two players from Bengaluru, Amogh Bisht and Advaith Prabhuraj, with 5.5 points each, shared the lead after six rounds on the second day of the Karnataka State U-9 Open Chess Championship 2020 conducted by Mysore Chess Centre under the aegis of UKCA at the *Mall of Mysore* premises here yesterday.

In the U-9 Girls section, Rudra Rajeev of Mangaluru emerged as the sole leader with 5.5 points from six rounds.

IMPORTANT RESULTS

U-9 Open (Sixth Round)

Advaith Prabhuraj (5.5) bt Sathvik Adiga (4.5); Amogh Bisht (5.5) bt Shree Suday Behra (4.5); Shreyas G. Kaushik (4) lost to Chinmay Koushik (5); ACM Bakshi Anshul (5) bt Sarthak Sharma (4); Agastya Ranjit (4) lost to Nivaan Raghavendra (5); Arun Sachin (4) lost to AFM A. Yuvanesh (5); E. Yashik Vihan (4) lost to Apaar Saxena (5).

Cooch-Behar Trophy U-19 Tournament

Rohit Kumar shines for Karnataka

Mysuru, Jan. 19- A good spell of left-arm spin bowling by A.C. Rohit Kumar (5 for 58), helped Karnataka to bowl out Kerala for 194 in 77.1 overs, on the first-day of the four-day Cooch-Behar Trophy Round IV, Elite Group A & B match played at the SDNR Wadiyar Platinum Jubilee University Grounds here yesterday. At close of play, Karnataka in reply, had scored 41/2 in 15.5 overs. Skipper Lochan S. Gowda (22) got out in the last over of the day.

SCORES

Kerala: 194 in 77.1 overs (Varun Nayanar 68, Alfi Francis 48, Shoun Roger 29, A.C. Rohit Kumar 5/58) Vs **Karnataka:** 41/2 in 15.5 overs.

KSCA Mysuru Zonal League 2019-20

National CC gains first innings points in drawn game

Mysuru, Jan. 19- Inspiring performances by N.R. Madhava (98 n.o.) and N. Bharath (47 & 4/35) helped National CC to gain the vital first innings points in the drawn two-day 1st Division KSCA Mysuru Zonal League match against Jawahars CC played at the JSS-SJCE Grounds here recently.

SCORES

1st Division — National CC: 272 in 81.4 overs (N.R. Madhava 98 n.o., Yashas Kumar 48, N. Bharath 47, Affan Jeelani 4/72, Subadip Das 2/75, Ayush Barik 3/77) & 33/1 in 7 overs drew with **Jawahars CC:** 190 in 62.5 overs (B.N. Yashwant 54, Ayush Barik 49 n.o., Yogesh Gowda 36, N. Bharath 4/35, Thushar Harikrishna 3/55); **National CC:** 3 points and **Jawahars CC:** 1 point.

Annual Sports Meet held

Mysuru, Jan. 19- The Orchids Public School and PU College held its Annual Sports Meet in the School premises.

Students from both the premises, The Orchids Public School and The Orchids School, participated in the events which took place for one entire day.

Kindergarten and Primary sections had Kiddie's Meet as their Sports Day activity.

Bipin Thomas, an athlete, a State-level gold medal winner, was the chief guest.

Games were organised for parents as well to make them experience their childhood again.

Prize winners in Shorin India Karate Championship

The students from Vasavi Convent School, Mysuru, excelled in the Shorin India Karate Championship-2019 held at Notre Dame School in Mysuru. The winning students — *(kneeling from left)* ***Ashwanthkumar - 1 prize in kata; K. Hemanth - 1st prize in kata and M. Smitha - 1st prize in kata;*** *(standing from left)* ***Nithinraj - 2nd in kata, Preetham - 2nd in kata, Amruthavarshini - 3rd in kata and Darshan Ayyappa - 1st in kata — are seen with*** *(sitting from left)* ***Karate Trainer V.S. Raveendran, Secretary V. Anantharamu and Head Master Jayaram Gowda.***

SPORTS EVENTS

CRICKET

Cooch-Behar Trophy Round IX
Elite Group A & B U-19 Tourney

18.1.2020 to 21.1.2020	Karnataka Vs Kerala at SDNR Wadiyar Grounds.

Col. C.K. Nayudu Trophy U-23 Tournament

29.1.2020 to 1.2.2020	Karnataka Vs Uttar Pradesh at SDNR Wadiyar grounds.

FOOTBALL

MDFA 'B' Division Football League 2019-20

19.1.2020	Govt. Press FC Vs Mysore Muslims FC
20.1.2020	Dynamics FC Vs Soniya FC
21.1.2020	Pope FC Vs KSRTC FC
22.1.2020	Nethaji FC Vs Mysore Muslims FC
23.1.2020	Soniya FC Vs Govt. Press FC
24.1.2020	Pope FC Vs Kickers FC
25.1.2020	Lions FC Vs KSRTC FC

CHESS

Karnataka State U-9 Open Chess Championship 2020

17.1.2020 to 19.1.2020	at Mall of Mysore.

MDCA Open Chess Tournament 2020

26.1.2020	at University Lions Hall.

SPORTS QUIZ

1. What does the term BCCI stands for?
2. The term 'Riposte' is associated with which sport?
3. 'Indira Gandhi Gold Cup' is associated with which sport?
4. Who is India's women's tennis player who won the women's Doubles title in WTA Hobart Intl. on Saturday?
5. Who is the Indian men's tennis player to enter the main Singles draw in this year's Australian Open Grand Slam Tournament?

1. Board of Control for Cricket in India 2. Fencing
3. Hockey-Women's 4. Sania Mirza 5. Prajnesh Gunneswaran

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Plea to clear garbage, weeds at Rajivnagar

Garbage and overgrown weeds have become a big headache to the residents of Rajivnagar 2nd Stage. They say that non-clearance of garbage by the civic works was leading to the garbage getting scattered on the road which sometimes enter houses due to wind. Picture below shows scattered garbage and weeds grown in a vacant site at Rajivnagar 2nd Stage, 17th Cross. Residents say that every time they lodge a complaint in the MCC website, they get a message that the complaint has been resolved when the fact is that the complaint is not attended to. They say that they are afraid to leave the kids to play outside due to fear of snakes and other reptiles which have taken shelter in the bushes and overgrown weeds. Authorities concerned are urged to take steps to get the garbage cleared on time.

Dilapidated buildings turn public urinals at Vidyaranyapuram

This is the pathetic state of the cross road leading to 5th Main Park in Vidyaranyapuram where menace of stray dogs, cows roaming amidst plastic waste and food waste and public using dilapidated buildings as public urinals, allege the residents who have urged the authorities concerned to take steps to solve the problems at the earliest.

Say no to plastic: Judge S.K. Vontigodi

Mysuru, Jan.19 (MTY&SD)- "Environmental conservation is a fundamental duty of every citizen of this country. We need to stop or reduce plastic use," opined Principal District and Sessions Court Judge S.K. Vontigodi.

He was speaking after inaugurating legal awareness programme organised by District Legal Services Authority (DLSA) in association with Bar Association to celebrate Constitution Day and National Youth Day at JSS Degree College, Saraswathipuram, in city recently.

He said, "Indian Constitution is one of the best in the world. It becomes imperative to create awareness of the Fundamental Rights and duties enshrined in the Constitution."

Speaking on the occasion, retired High Court Judge Nagamohan Das said, "as part of the Reading the Constitution campaign, we have been visiting all schools and colleges and creating awareness about our Constitution in the district and taluk levels."

DLSA Member-Secretary B.P. Devamane also spoke on the occasion.

Addl. SP P.V. Sneha, Principal Dr. K.V. Suresh, Mysore Bar Association President S. Anand Kumar, M.P. Nagendramurthy and Ayesha Bhanu were present.

Banned plastic seized during MCC raid; Shop fined Rs. 10,000

Mysuru, Jan.19 (MTY&KS)- The officials of Mysuru City Corporation (MCC), who conducted raids on shops stocking banned plastic items at Shivarampet, have seized 10 kg of banned plastic from a shop and imposed a fine of Rs. 10,000 on the owner.

The shop that was raided is Mahendra Enterprises near Dufferin Clock Tower in city.

The MCC officials had raided this shop earlier too and had warned the shop owner against selling or stocking the banned plastic items. But the shop owner, ignoring the warnings, continued to stock and sell the same prompting the MCC to raid again.

MCC Environmental Engineer S. Mythri and MCC Zone-6 Assistant Commissioner Geetha led the Abhaya team and staff in the raid during which banned plastic covers weighing 10 kg was seized and the shop fined.

The seized plastic covers were destroyed so that it could not be used and the shop-keeper was issued another warning.

Plea to repair Veterinary Hospital on Manandavadi Road

Mysuru, Jan.19 (PM&DM)- City JD(S) Unit has demanded immediate repairs to the Veterinary Hospital on Manandavadi Road in city.

Addressing a press meet recently, City JD(S) Working President S. Prakash Priyadarshan said that the Veterinary Hospital building on Manandavadi Road coming under K.R. Assembly segment is lying in a dilapidated state for the past few years. The hospital caters to the medical needs of hundreds of cattle and other pet animals. The lives of the cattle and the veterinary doctors serving here are at risk as the building is dilapidated, he maintained and urged the authorities concerned to take immediate measures for repairing the building.

Priyadarshan also urged the Railway authorities to take steps to prevent the dropping of human wastes from trains on motorists and pedestrians who pass through the Railway under-bridge at K.G. Koppal. Party leaders G. Yadunanda, M. Deepak, Girishgowda and others were present at the press conference.

Blood donation camp marks 31st National Road Safety Week

Mysuru, Jan.19 (US)- As part of the 31st National Road Safety Week-2020, City Traffic Police had organised a blood donation camp on Tuesday at NR Choultry on Vinoba Road here.

A team headed by K.R. Hospital Blood Bank senior doctor B.S. Manjunath drew blood from the volunteers. DCP B.T. Kavita, ACP Sandesh Kumar and others were present. About 40 volunteers comprising Police officers, staff, auto drivers and general public donated blood at the camp.

RS MP calls Kodava community to stay united on tribal status

Madikeri, Jan.19- Maintaining that Kodava community has been deprived of tribal status due to lack of organised efforts and killer instinct, Rajya Sabha (RS) member Kupendra Reddy called upon Kodava community members to launch a movement for getting Constitutionally mandated tribal status.

He was speaking at a seminar on Kodava Tribal Status, organised by Codava National Council (CNC) at Capitol village on the outskirts of Madikeri town yesterday.

Stating that the richness of Kodava culture and practices are key factors in getting tribal status, Reddy said that even the British had considered Kodavas as a tribal community in a census conducted by them. But Kodavas have chosen to stay away from the status as they considered it inferior, he regretted.

Pointing out that Kodavas need tribal status to get Government posts, he lauded the fighting spirit of CNC President N.U. Nachappa, who has been waging a battle for the cause for over a decade

Reiterating that lack of unity among Kodava community had deprived the community of its rights, he appealed the community to support Nachappa in his struggles.

Another RS MP B.K. Hariprasad said that Kodava community which emanated from the banks of the holy river Cauvery is now staring at a crisis. Arguing that the Constitutionally mandated status alone can help Kodava culture and tradition to sustain, Hariprasad called upon the community members to shun a feeling of inferiority, if they have any.

Claiming that the Sanskrit speaking population, which is hardly 50,000 in number has got reservation, he wondered why the Kodava population which is multiple times higher has not got reservation. Although Kodavas were socially and academically forward, they have been deprived of opportunities, he regretted. Hariprasad further said that he had raised his voice for an appropriate status for Kodava language in Parliament.

CNC President N.U. Nachappa in his address, said that a tribal status alone can save Kodava culture, tradition and practices from becoming extinct.

Pointing out Kodava Gun Rights has never been misused for any anti-national activities, he said that the Gun Rights has remained in place even after seven decades of independence because of this fact. Nachappa warned that Kodavas will have no future if they fail to learn about tribal rights listed in the schedule of the Constitution.

Elected to MCC Standing Committees

Mysuru, Jan.19(RKB&DM)- The following Corporators, representing different parties, were elected unopposed to the four Standing Committees of the Mysuru City Corporation (MCC) following the Mayoral polls held at the MCC Council Hall yesterday.

Taxation, Finance and Appeals Committee- K. Nirmala, Savitha Suresh, N. Sowmya, M. Lakshmi, Akmal Pasha, Samiullah and G.S. Sathyaraj.

Social Justice and Health Committee- Shobha, J. Gopi, Bhagya, Ayaz Pasha, Usha N. Narayan, Sharadamma and B. Bhuvaneshwari.

Town Planning and Reforms Committee- Syed Hazratullah, Pailwan Srinivas, Ramesh, Rukmini Madegowda, Hazira Seema, Sunanda Palanethra and Pramila Bharath. **Accounts Committee-** Ashwini Ananthu, Begum Pallavi, Chayadevi, Vedavathi, Ayub Khan, Arif Hussain and Pradeep Chandra.

Obituary

Dhanraj

Mysuru, Jan. 19- Dhanraj (52), a resident of Kuvempunagar passed away yesterday following heart attack.

He leaves behind his wife, one son and a host of relatives and friends.

Last rites were performed at the foot of Chamundi Hill this morning, according to family sources.

'Will focus on clean city'

Mayor Tasneem Bano

Mysuru, Jan. 19 (RKB&DM)- Speaking to *Star of Mysore* yesterday after becoming the Mayor, Tasneem Bano said that she was delighted to become the Mayor at an young age and also the first Muslim woman Mayor.

Listing out her priorities, she said that she would concentrate on continuing efforts for the city to retain the Cleanest City tag and also maintain the heritage characteristics of the city. Her other priorities include redressal of streetlight problems, revenue mobilisation and addressing other civic issues haunting the city for long, she added.

Newly elected Deputy Mayor C. Sridhar said that he will work towards keeping the city clean and making the city garbage-free. Pointing out that he will focus on development of Dalit colonies and addressing health issues, he said that all efforts will be made to end the stench emanating from the waste management unit at Sewage Farm in Vidyaranyapuram.

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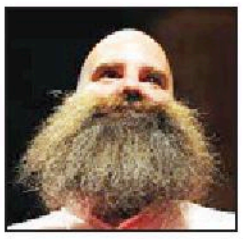
WORD OF THE DAY

Hirsute



Pronunciation: HER-soot.
Meaning: Hairy; covered with coarse stiff hairs.
Origin: Hirsute has nearly the same spelling and exactly the same meaning as its Latin parent, hirsutus. The word isn't quite one of a kind, though—it has four close relatives: hirsutism and hirsuties, synonymous nouns naming a medical condition involving excessive hair growth; hirsutal, an adjective meaning "of or relating to hair"; and hirsutulous, a mostly botanical term meaning "slightly hairy" (as in "hirsutulous stems"). The Latin hirsutus is also an etymological cousin to horrēre, meaning "to bristle." Horrēre gave rise to Latin horrōr-, horror, which has the various meanings of "standing stiffly," "bristling," "shivering," "dread," "consternation," and is the source, via Anglo-French, of our word horror. The word horripilation—a fancy word for goose bumps—is also a hirsute relation; its Latin source, horripilāre, means "to shudder," and was formed from horrēre and pilus ("hair").
Example: Turner wore a hirsute mask as part of his werewolf costume for the school play.

THE ODD WORD

Habergeon

Sleeveless mail coat.

PHRASE OF THE DAY

Between a rock and a hard place

Meaning: In difficulty, faced with a choice between two unsatisfactory options.
Origin: This phrase originated in the USA in the early part of the 20th century. It is the American manifestation of a phrase that exists in several forms in other cultures. The dilemma of being in a position where one is faced with two equally unwelcome options appears to lie deep in the human psyche. Language always reflects people's preoccupations and there are several phrases that express this predicament. The first of these quite literally conveys the uncomfortable nature of the choice between two lemmas (propositions), that is, 'on the horns of a dilemma'. Other phrases that compare two less than desirable alternatives are 'the lesser of two evils', 'between the devil and the deep blue sea', 'between Scylla and Charybdis', 'an offer you can't refuse' and 'Hobson's choice'.
The earliest known printed citation of 'between a rock and a hard place' is in the American Dialect Society's publication Dialect Notes V, 1921:
"To be between a rock and a hard place, ...to be bankrupt. Common in Arizona in recent panics; sporadic in California."

QUOTE BOX

When rocks fall from the cliff, the ocean will rise to meet the sky.

— Anthony T. Hincks

RIDDLE THIS

Why did the woman wear a helmet at the dinner table?

Answer :Because of her crash diet.

SUDOKU

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Answer to previous puzzle

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6	4	3	1	5	8	9	7	2
5	9	1	7	2	3	8	4	6
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Sudoku is a number-placing puzzle based on a 9x9 grid with several given numbers. The object is to place the numbers 1 to 9 in the empty squares so that each row, each column and each 3x3 box contains the same number only once. The difficulty level of the Concept is Sudoku increases from Monday to Sunday.

CROSS WORD

ACROSS:

1 Competent
5 Bath powder
9 Compass direction
12 Expressed an idea, etc. in words
13 Abbrev. for America - "mare" anagram?
14 Egg-layer
15 Able was I, ___ __ saw Elba? (3,1)
16 Hard shell of some animals
18 First caliph of Mecca (3,4)
20 Not, as a prefix?
21 "L" in L.A. the famous city?
22 Puzzle
25 Frequently
28 Male child
29 ____ better : would find it wiser to?
30 Pod contents
31 Female swan
32 An attack or a foray
33 Irregular, abbr.
34 Hole in the ground for diggers?
35 Doesn't pass
36 Pincered insect
38 Bloke
39 __ Paar: 1954 Guru Dutt movie
40 "N" in GNGC, the fertilizer giants?
44 Belittles, casts down or cheapens
47 ___ handed : generous?
48 Fuss, bother
49 Ceramic slab
50 Madhuri ___, nee Dixit
51 Hither's partner
52 Slippery fish
53 ___ up : made oneself stiffly erect

FRIDAY'S ANSWER

A	R	A	B	■	B	H	I	■	S	P	E	W
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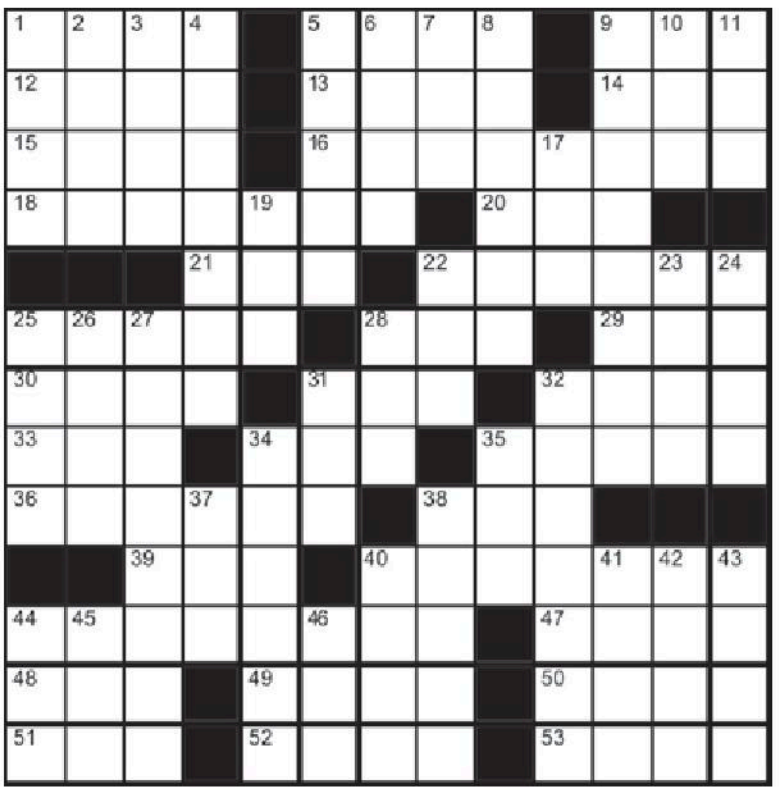
DOWN

1 Aboard ship
2 Pointed hook
3 Place; stead
4 Things fit to eat
5 Small nails
6 ___, Akbar, Anthony
7 Gaelic sea god
8 Nook's neighbor
9 Seaport in east China
10 Dry especially for wines
11 Compass heading
17 Hawaiian food
19 Activity on Node, abbr.
22 A long time
23 American post?
24 Appends or joins
25 English painter
26 For Exchg Reg Act
27 A herb
28 Take a ___ : gamble?
31 A young swine
32 Popular sitcom Everybody Loves _____
34 Buccaneer
35 Mink, ermine or stoat?
37 Armed hostilities
38 Tenuous substances
40 A short form of 'Helen'
41 Mimic or copier
42 "Need" anagram for a sand hill?
43 All over again?
44 Twenty four hours
45 Old Tokyo
46 Cease to live



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The Cryptoquip is a substitution cipher in which one letter stands for another. If you think that X equals O, it will equal O throughout the puzzle. Single letters, short words and words using an apostrophe give you clues to locating vowels. Solution is by trial and error.

LW WYV YVUFYW IO MLSFYWVN, WYV SAUTVNEV UE OMSAF

UAWI L DLMVUCIEJIRV IO AVZ RIEEUKUMUWUVE.

TODAY'S CLUE: W EQUALS T

Friday's Cryptoquip: People seldom become famous for what they say until after they are famous for what they've done.

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TAMIL			
Pattas	Sangam	2520494	4 Shows
Darbar	Lakshmi	2443584	2 Shows
TELUGU			
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	Prabha	2423569	4 Shows
Ala Vaikunthapurramloo	Padma	2521923	4 Shows
	Thibbadevi	2452958	4 Shows
	Rajkamal	2423554	4 Shows
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	Skyline	2481170	4 Shows

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Tanhaji (H)	(S-1)	10.20 am, 5.15 pm, 9.55 pm
Dolittle (3D-E)	(S-1)	1 pm, 3.10 pm, 7.50 pm
Avane Srimannarayana (K)	(S-2)	10 am
	(S-3)	6.35 pm
Chhapaak (H)	(S-2)	1.25 pm
	(S-3)	4.05 pm
Sarileru Neekevvaru (Te)	(S-2)	3.50 pm
Darbar (Ta)	(S-2)	7 pm
A Beautiful Day in the Neighborhood (E)		
	(S-2)	10 pm
Sri Bharatha Baahubali (K)	(S-3)	10 am
Enta Manchi Vaadavuraa (Te)	(S-3)	1.15 pm
Big Brother (Ma)	(S-3)	10 pm
Ala Vaikunthapurramuloo (Te)	(S-4)	9.50 am, 1 pm, 6.55, 10 pm
Pattas (Ta)	(S-4)	4.10 pm

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Tanhaji (3D-H)	(S-1)	11.50 am, 4.55 pm ,10 pm
Dolittle (3D-E)	(S-1)	9.35 am, 2.40 pm, 7.45 pm
Avane Srimannarayana (K)	(S-4)	10.45 am, 5.50 pm
Jai Mummy Di (H)	(S-3)	10.30 am
	(S-2)	1.05 pm
Ala Vaikunthapurramuloo (Te)	(S-2)	9.50 am, 3.30 pm, 9.55 pm
Sarileru Neekevvaru (Te)	(S-3)	9.55 pm
Darbar (Ta)	(S-3)	6.35 pm
A Beautiful Day In The Neighborhood (E)		
	(S-3)	4.05 pm
Chhapaak (H)	(S-2)	7.00 pm
Srii Bharatha Baahubali (K)	(S-4)	2.20 pm
Enta Manchi Vaadavuraa (Te)	(S-3)	12.45 pm
Big Brother (Ma)	(S-4)	9.30 pm

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Dolittle (E-3D)	11 am, 4.15 pm, 9.30 pm
Sarileru Neekevvaru (Te)	11.35 am, 6.30 pm
Good Newwz (H)	1.15 pm
Tanhaji: The Unsung Warrior (E)	1.20 pm, 6.35 pm
Sri Bharatha Baahubali (K)	2.20 pm
Chhapaak (H)	4.15 pm
Jai Mummy Di (H)	5.45 pm, 9.45 pm
Avane Srimannarayana (K)	9.30 pm

NOTE: Movie timings published here are subject to sudden change by the theatre managements. The films are also liable to be changed in multiplexes if there are no minimum audience of 15 to the film announced here.

EVENTS TODAY (JAN. 19)

Sahara Art and Crafts: Handicraft and Handloom Expo, Scouts and Guides Ground, behind DC's office, **up to 9.30 pm.**

Homage: 'Pejawar Sri - Bhaava Pushpanjali,' programme to pay homage to late Pejawar Seer Sri Vishwesha Theertha Swamiji, Suttur Seer Sri Shivarathri Deshikendra Swamiji, Sri Ganapathy Ashram Junior Pontiff Sri Datta Vijayananda Theertha Swamiji, Sri Ramakrishna Ashram President Swami Muktidanandaji, Pejawar Seer Sri Vishwaprasanna Theertha Swamiji, Sri Adichunchanagiri Mutt Mysuru Branch Head Sri Someshwaranatha Swamiji and Sharana Mawara Gurupeetha-Chitradurga Seer Sri Madara Chennaiah Swamiji will grace the occasion; Devotional Songs by Raghuleela Sangeeta Shala students, Seers of various Mutts will speak about late Pejawar Seer and a portrait and a small booklet on life and works of the late Seer will be distributed to all participants, Nada Mantapa, Sri Ganapathy Sachchidananda Ashrama, Ooty Road, **4 pm.**

Hasirubhoomi Trust, Pandavapura-Mandya, Negilayogi Samajaseva Trust and Mandya Okkoota, Mysuru: Kuvempu and Balagangadharanatha Swamiji Nudi-Namana and Geetha-Namana, Conferring of 'Kuvempu Samajamukhi' award on former Rangayana Director H. Janardhan (Janni), 'Dr. Balagangadharanatha Swamiji Samajamukhi' award on Bengaluru-based social worker and artist R. Shashikumar; Adichunchanagiri Mutt Mysuru branch Head Sri Someshwaranatha Swamiji graces the occasion, folk Scholar Dr. P.K. Rajashekar inaugurates, veteran littérateur Dr. C.P. Krishna Kumar presides, District Kannada Sahitya Bhavan, Vijayanagar First Stage, **4.30 pm.**

Mysuru District Kannada Professional Theatre Artistes Association, Mysuru and Kannada & Culture Department, Bengaluru and Mysuru: 30th anniversary celebrations, Sri Ilai Alwar Swamiji graces the occasion, MLA G.T. Devegowda inaugurates, social worker K. Raghuram presides, Association Hon. President and K.R. Bank President *Kannada Ratna* Tayur Vittala Murthy will be present, ZP President Parimala Shyam, Kannada & Culture Asst. Director H. Channappa, Karnataka Mahila Congress President Dr. Pushpa Amarnath, SP C.B. Ryshyanth, former Mayor Pushpalatha Jagannath and Mysuru City District Artistes Central Committee President M.M. Nagaraj chief guests, Town Hall, **5 pm.**

Youth Hostels Association of India (YHAI), Gangothri Unit: 30th anniversary - Stage programme, former Conservator of Forests and Director of Project Tiger-Bandipur H.C. Kantharaju chief guest, DCF-Mysuru Division Dr. K.C. Prashanth, Tourism Deputy Director H. Janardhan and YHAI Karnataka State Branch Secretary Chava Subba Rao guests of honour, YHAI Gangothri Unit Chairman Y.N. Rajendra presides, Stage programme, YHAI National Chairman S. Venkat Narayanan, YHAI New Delhi CEO Roopesh K. Pande, YHAI Karnataka State Branch former Chairman and ex-MLC D. Madegowda, *Star of Mysore* Editor-in-Chief K.B. Ganapathy and Nirmala Rajashekar Koti special invitees; K.B. Ganapathy inaugurates Special Photography Exhibition; Releasing of 100th issue of 'Charana Gangothri' newsletter of YHAI Gangothri Unit and Power Point Presentation (PPT) on YHAI Gangothri, **5 pm;** Cultural programme, Sarada Vilas Centenary Hall, Krishnamurthypuram, **7 pm to 8 pm.**

Mysuru Nandi House Building Co-operative Society (MNHBCS): Inauguration of MNHBCS Mysuru, G. Babu, President, Telecom Employees Housing Co-operative Society, Bengaluru, Amshi Prasanna Kumar, Senior Journalist, Ravindra Joshi, Journalist, Columnists and Film Industrialist, H. Krishnegowda, ex-President, BSNL HBCS and Chairman, AIBSNL, Karnataka, M.N. Kumar, retd. Director, Town Planning, guests of honour, Rani Bahadur auditorium, B.N. Bahadur Institute of Management Sciences, Vinoba Road, Jayalakshmipuram, **5 pm.**

PLAYS

Rangayana: Staging of play 'Pushpa Parijatha,' Bhoomigeeta, Rangayana premises, **6.30 pm.**

Natana School of Theatre Arts: Staging of William Shakespeare's play 'A Midsummer Night's Dream' (directed by Jeevankumar B. Heggod), School premises, Ramakrishnanagar, **6.30 pm.**

Nadabrahma Sangeetha Sabha: *Sangita Kalanidhi, Sangeetha Rathna* Mysore Piteelu Chowdiah Samsmarane, honouring Sangeetha Vidyanidhi Vid. H.K. Narasimha Murthy with the title 'Dhanur Vainikabrahma,' Karnatak Classical Violin Trio by Vid. H.K. Narasimha Murthy, accompanied by Vidu. Sindhu Suchetan, Vid. Pruthvi Bhaskar, Vid. G.S. Ramanujan on mridanga, Vid. Sharath Kaushik on ghata, Mysore K. Vasudevacharya Bhavana, JLB Road, **5.30 pm.**

Shruthimanjari Foundation and Rotary Mysore West: 22nd Annual Music Festival, Vocal Concert by Vidu. Aishwarya Vidhya Raghunath. She will be accompanied by Vidu. Nalina Mohan on violin and Vid. B.S. Prashanth on mridanga, Rotary West Auditorium, Saraswathipuram, **6 pm.**

Rangasmruti Sangeetha Sabha and Lalitha Kala Kendra: Sri Tyagaraja's 173rd Aradhana Mahotsava, invocation by C.V. Yashasvini Pandit, Vocal Concert by Vid. M. Srinath Sharma, accompanied by Vid. C.N. Tyagaraja on violin, Vid. H.L. Shivashankaraswamy on mridanga and Raghunandan on ghata, Sri Chandramouleshwaraswamy Charitable Trust, Adipampa Road, Jayalakshmipuram, **6 pm.**

Prajapitha Brahma Kumaris Ishwariya Vishwa Vidyalaya, Mysuru: World Peace Day as part of Adi Deva Prajapita Brahma 51st Avyakta Punya Smriti, Sri Someshwaranatha Swamiji of Adichunchanagiri Mutt speaks, BK Lakshmiji presides, Gyan Prakash Bhavan, 2nd Main Road, Yadavagiri, **6.30 pm.**

EVENTS TOMORROW (JAN. 20)

Anokhi Garden: Art Expo by Mukund Swamy, alumnus of CAVA (Chamarajendra Academy of Visual Arts), Anokhi Garden, 408, Contour Road, near Adithya Hospital, Gokulam, 3rd Stage, **8 am to 5 pm.**

Mysuru District Kannada Professional Theatre Artistes Association, Mysuru and Kannada & Culture Department, Bengaluru and Mysuru: 30th anniversary celebrations, rendering of theatre songs and staging of play 'Muttala Mava' by all-women troupe, **12 noon;** Valedictory, MLA L. Nagendra presides, Association Hon. President and artiste N .Basavegowda will be present, social worker and film producer Dr. N. Venkatesh, former ZP Member and theatre artiste Honnanayaka, Corporator M.V. Ramprasad, Rajarajeswari Vasthralankara Owner B.M. Ramachandra, S. Amruteshwar of District Legal Services Authority and K.R. Bank Director H.V. Bhaskar chief guests, Town Hall, **5 pm.**

Kannada Sahitya Kalakoota, Mysuru and Kadamba Ranga Vedike, Mysuru: Felicitation to Rangayana Director Addanda Cariappa, playwright Venugopal and Rangayana artiste and Karnataka Nataka Academy Award recipient B.N. Shashikala by *Star of Mysore* Editor-in-Chief K.B. Ganapathy, senior scholar Prof. Maleyur Guruswamy delivers felicitation address, social worker Dr. Raghuram Vajapayee chief guest, Kannada Sahitya Kalakoota President M. Chandrashekar delivers introductory address, Kadamba Ranga Vedike President Rajashekar Kadamba presides, Sriranga auditorium, Rangayana premises, **5 pm.**

Sri Krishna Ganasabha, Mysuru: Vocal Concert by Vid. N. Srinath, accompanied by Vid. C.N. Thyagarajan on violin and Vid. A. Radhesh on mridanga, Alwar Kalabhavan, Sri Krishna Temple premises, Gokulam, **6 pm.**

Parampare: Atmanubhava Satsang by Narmada Yogi Sri Krishna Sampagaonkar, Sri Nadabrahma Sangeetha Sabha, JLB Road, **6 pm.**

Three-day National AIMSS Meet at Kolkata from Jan.21

Mysuru, Jan. 19- The three-day National Meet of All India Mahila Samskrutika Sanghatane (AIMSS) will be held at Kolkata in West Bengal from Jan. 21 to 23. The Meet has two themes — 'Stand up with dignity and courage' and 'Drive away atrocities, violence, exploitation and other crimes against women.'

About 1,800 representatives from over 23 States are expected to take part in this National Meet during which the Government will be urged to fulfil a 12-point charter of demands. They include: Ensuring safety of women and children; Implementation of the recommendations of Justice Verma Commission; Education and employment guarantee for women; Judo and Karate training for girl students at schools and colleges; Health Insurance cover for women and withdrawal of CAA and NRC, among others.

Noted activists Medha Patkar and Pravash Ghosh are expected to attend. For details, contact Mob: 90361-38850 or 88929-88294, according to AIMSS District Secretary G.S. Seema.

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